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SUBJECT: DUTCH PARTICIPATION IN SPOKANE EXPOSITION

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1. CHARGE SAW FONOFF STATE SECRETARY BRINKHORST SEPT. 27 TO BRING HIM UP-TO-DATE ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION IN THE SPOKANE EXPOSITION AND TO INQUIRE IF THERE WERE ANYTHING NEW ON THE DUTCH SIDE PENDING RETURN OF FONMIN VAN DER STOEL FROM U.S. ON SEPTEMBER 29. THE EMBASSY HAD ALREADY INFORMED THE WORKING LEVEL OF THE FONOFF AND THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE RECENT DECISION OF SERVAL IMPORTANT COUNTRIES, INCLUDING USSR, JAPAN AND MEXICO, TO PARTICIPATE AND BRINKFORST WAS AWARE OF THESE
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FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENTS. HE REFERRED HOWEVER TO A PRESS STORY TO THE

EFFECT THAT CANADA HAD REVERSED ITS ORIGINAL DECISION TO PARTICIPATE. A TIMELY TELEPHONE CALL LATER THAT AFTERNOON FROM COMMISSIONER GENERAL HENDERSON ENABLE THE EMBASSY TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT WITH BRINKFORST ON THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 28. BRINKFORST WAS GRATIFIED TO LEARN THAT CANADA WOULD INDEED PARTICIPATE OFFICIALLY, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT THINK THIS WOULD HAVE MUCH INFLUENCE ON THE GON'S ULTIMATE DECISION.

2. AFTER LISTENING TO CHARGE'S COMMENTS ON AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND'S RECENT EFFORTS IN BONN (BONN 13750) AND AMBASSADOR IRWIN'S VIS-A-VIS GISCARD D'ESTAING (PARIS 24841), BRINKHORST SAID VERY FRANKLY THAT THE PROBLEM FOR THOSE IN HIS GOVERNMENT WHO WANTED TO SEE DUTCH PARTICIPATION WAS TO GET THE EUROPEAN BALL ROLLING. HE COULD NOT GUARANTEE THAT EVEN IF THE FRG OR THE GOF DECIDED TO PARTICIPATE THE NETHERLANDS WOULD NECESSARILY FOLLOW SUIT. WITHOUT THE PARTICIPATION OF ONE OR TWO OF THE NETHERLANDS' LARGER NEIGHBORS, HOWEVER, HE LEFT LITTLE HOPE OF REVERSING THE NEGATIVE DECISION WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN. HE NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT AMERICA'S BICENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION WOULD FOLLOW THE SPOKANE EXPOSITION BY ONLY TWO YEARS. SINCE THE GON WOULD DEFINITELY WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR, THIS COMPLICATED THE ALREADY DIFFICULT TASK OF BREAKING OUT FUNDS FROM AN OVERSTRAINED DUTCH BUDGET FOR THE SPOKANE EXPOSITION.

3. THE EMBASSY WILL STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON THIS QUESTION AND SEEK TO EXPLOIT TO THE FULLEST FONMIN VAN DER STOEL'S PROMISE TO THE ACTING SECRETARY TO EXAMINE SYMPATHETICALLY THE QUESTION OF DUTCH PARTICIPATION.
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